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FRANK W. WHITE, Hon. Secretary, V.R.C.;

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1902.

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MARRIAGES.

On the 10th November, at Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, M.A., FREDERICK ALEXANDER, son of WILLIAM ALEXANDER CUMMING, of Lloyds, London, to ALICE MABEL, youngest daughter of the late R. A. JAMISON, M.D., of Shanghai.

At the Union Church, Yokohama, by the Rev. E. S. Booth, D.D., and before the U.S. Consul-General, Dr. FREDERICK ALEXANDER ROBINSON, of Shanghai, to MARY EMMA, youngest daughter of George and ELIZABETH STETTLE, of Philadelphia, U.S. of America.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VIEUX ROAD, CLIFTON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 26th November, 1902.

ACCORDING to the telegram from our London correspondent, dated Sunday morning, the 23rd instant, it is rumoured that Sir ERNEST SATOW has been summoned home to England for the purpose of attending "a conference which is likely to have important results." The statement is sufficiently vague to mean almost anything. It has been known for some time that Sir ERNEST SATOW was going home on leave as soon as could conveniently be arranged, but to these wide diplomatic circles, at least, no significance was attached to his visit.

Indeed, it was thought that, but for the recent events in connection with Chinaman's Creek, the Chengchow massacre, he would by this time have returned home for a holiday.

It is now known that there is something more than a holiday in store for him. Peking. What

is the reason? It is only possible to guess. The English mail of the 25th ult. was delivered in London on the 22nd inst.

again by Germany and France a few weeks ago, will at least be accorded some attention. We have already expressed our opinion, which is shared by the whole of the Anglo-Chinese Press, we think, that the attempt to raise the Yangtze question now is not only unnecessary, since the integrity of the Yangtze Valley has already been guaranteed, but is also animated by an unfriendly spirit toward Great Britain. We have suggested that there is revealed one more instance of the Chinese love of playing off one Power against another, for we are loth to think that Germany deliberately set about to undermine the position of Great Britain, her avowed ally. It is difficult to see what "conditions" for the evacuation of Shanghai are left for the subsequent settlement of which REUTER speaks.

If, as is stated, Sir ERNEST SATOW is to attend a conference in London, it is to be trusted that the British Government will take the opportunity of being enlightened on various points in connection with its policy in China. In His Majesty's present Minister at Peking they will find one who has represented his country with more credit than any of his recent predecessors, the only one of late years, in fact, who appears to have grasped the situation. He went to Peking after a considerable period of declining prestige for Great Britain in China. During his brief term of office he has struggled manfully, and not without some success, to restore his country's name. He seems to have recognised that Britain's status in China was and is in grave peril of being lost. That Sir ERNEST SATOW will impress this on the minds of the responsible Ministers at home, if the chance be given him, we have some reason for trusting. The question of British influence in China may be divided into three parts, corresponding to three sections of China. There is the North, where by the natural course of events, aided by the entire absence of any intelligible or consistent British policy for many years past, Britain plays a very small part, and Russia is the absolutely predominant nation. There is the Central or Yangtze region, where Britain has always held the hegemony, and only recently has a claimant been found to dispute the "sphere of influence," which was so much talked about in the days of China's loss of Port Arthur and Kiaochau. Lastly, there is the South (which means here Canton and the West River) where the position of Hongkong gives such natural advantages that the leading place among the foreign nations concerned in this region can only be lost by a long course of apathy. It is full time that the British Government should consider intelligently, as it has never done before, its policy with regard to the Chinese Empire. What is now wanted is consolidation of our position and a determination to resist aggressions, open or covert. Did other Powers make the spirit of their policy agree with the letter of their assurances, we might continue without much loss in the old carelessness and irrational way. But several other Powers are very wide awake to the opportunities offered to them by British supineness, and even the best framed conventions are susceptible of various interpretations. Therefore an understanding at home on the China question, or collection of questions, as it would be more correct to say, is earnestly to be hoped for.

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An unknown steamer ran down a trading junk, according to the statement of the owner of the Chinese boat, outside the harbour at eight o'clock on Monday night, cutting her in two. The junk's crew were rescued by two fishing boats, but one man, a native passenger, is now reported to be missing. The steamer, whose name is unknown, was making for the harbour, as also was the unfortunate junk, which was struck amidships.

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YU HSIEH'S LAST WORDS.

We are indebted to the *N.C. Daily News* for the following "Last Declaration" of the notorious Governor of Shensi, Yu Hsien, who was exiled on 2nd February, 1901, at Lanchow, Kans.

Notification by Governor Yu: a communication to the benevolent and gentry of this honourable city:

I have heard that the superior man loves others because of their virtue, and aids in carrying out their good designs. I have offended against the Court, and death doubtless is my lot. Being a high official, it is fitting that I should obey the law, but I have nothing to regret and nothing to fear.

I have just heard that some people in various parts of this city have issued notices summoning the masses to assemble and to ask for my life. This must not be on my account.

I have been Governor in Shantung and Shaanxi, and during my term of office have managed Chinese cases. That I have not been able to protect the foreigner's troubles was a fault in my administration.

Formerly the Court blamed me for using force. This truly was in order to keep things intact; but the demands and representations of the foreigners were endless, and so they had to be killed, and I was quite willing (to do it). Hence I am now under (the ban of) the law, not by the original intention of the Court—there is absolutely no way of screening myself in this difficulty. I sympathise with (the Court), but am dumb and can make no reply; hence I die with no resentment. Beside, there is the saying of King Tseu:

"The Prince of heaven is intelligent and holy. If his servants offend they should be put to death."

You scholars probably know the passage. And the common saying runs: "If the Ruler command the Minister to die, would he dare not do it?"

You who listen to travelling story-tellers, and you who frequent theatres, are also aware of these things.

Now, if you will, in an irregular way, plead for my life, not only will it be useless, but the Court will add this to my offence that I have sought to win the favour of the populace, and have not met death in the customary manner. Think of it! gentlemen—is this to love me, or to injure me?

Moreover, when you unlawfully gather large numbers together, they are of all classes; can you guarantee that the Ko-tao Hut and other blackguards will not avail themselves of this opportunity to make a disturbance? In this I have thought much, and have been anxious for your honourable city; let me pray you to desist without delay, that I may observe the law, and meet death with dignity. This will cause me to be grateful and will give me pleasure.

If you will not listen to these foolish words of mine, I shall shut up to requesting death for myself at once, and you will thus hasten my death. Will your hearts be at rest, or not?

These are my ingenuous and sincere sentiments; I humbly beg you to excuse them.

Respectful notification by Yu Hsien.

P.S.—I am an unoffending minister, an unworthy favoured with the love of the benevolent and gentry of this honourable capital city, because I am about to die. Those who came to see me, I received in succession, but during these few days my strength has not been equal to it, and as I am making my dispositions for after death, I have no leisure to see any one else. If I have your permission, wait till after I have met my fate, and then give me a cup of the best wine, and a string of paper (in sacrifice). My spirit will be cognisant of (your dead) and who has kindly acted as honorary treasurer.

Sir WILLIAM MEIGH GOODMAN moved the adoption of the report, which was as follows:—

The Committee have pleasure in presenting the second annual report and statement of accounts from the 1st of October, 1901, to the 30th September, 1902, to subscribers. During the whole of this time the Institution has had the need of the services of Nurse Gray and Nurse Hair, who have been actually engaged during 257 and 290 days respectively. This clearly shows the need of a Nursing Institution in the Colony, and that the services of trained nurses are both required and appreciated. At present it would appear that two nurses are sufficient to meet the needs of the community, as upon two occasions only was the Institution unable to send a nurse in response to a request to do so. During the period under review care for the guidance of the nurses and their patients have been drawn up. It will be seen from the statement of accounts that the Committee has been able to repay the sum of \$190.34 out of the \$237.17, which it was necessary to borrow from the guarantee fund to meet the expenditure of last year, and that the same have been sufficient to meet the working exp. of the present year. The Committee, however, beg to call attention to the fact that the nurses are here on a three years' agreement only, and that at the end of that time the cost of two half passages home, and two passages out, will have to meet; this is estimated to be about \$1,300 representing \$600 a year, which must be raised by subscription. In accordance with rule 7 it rests with the annual meeting to fix the amount of the subscription for the ensuing year, 1903, and the Committee venture to hope that subscribers will come forward in sufficient numbers to enable this useful Institution to carry on its work without diminishing the guarantee fund, which it is most desirable to preserve intact in order to meet such contingencies as may from time to time arise. The Committee recommend that the subscription for the coming year be fixed at \$10. The sum to the credit of the guarantee fund stood at \$4,270.29 on 1st October, 1902, of which \$3,000 was invested in Hongkong Club debentures bearing interest at 6 per cent., \$1,000 on fixed deposit, and the balance \$270.29 was to the credit of the institution in current account with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Dickson, having resigned in Feb. on leaving for England, Lady Goodman kindly undertook the duties of that post. Mrs. Siebe, Mrs. Ridout, and Mrs. Slade also resigned.

Mr. W. H. Potts was auditor.

Captain CLARK—Do you intend, Mr. Chairman, to draw out the \$3 at once or by instalments as required? Of course it is only a small matter.

The CHAIRMAN.—At once.

Mr. KEW.—You see we expect to have the boat finished in four and half months. The money will not be called up till the end of the year. The boat will be well under way by that time.

There being no other questions.

The CH. IRANIAN formally moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. JOSEPH seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Captain CLARK proposed the re-election of Messrs. Liao Tze Sia and Chan Sui Ki to the Consulting Committee for the current year.

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INDIA AND THE AMERICAN INVASION.

Already there are signs, very distinct, if at present small, that the Americans have commenced their invasion of the commerce of this country in earnest, says the *Times of India*. To every department of commerce America is contributing her quota, and the local bazaar exhibits unmistakable signs that her intention is not merely a casual experiment. She is not merely feeling her way, but has already laid down the foundation of a thriving and prosperous business. American agents are fully alive to the possibilities of the country, and as the *Indian Textile Journal* points out in its last issue, the probability that American capitalists will look to India as a future field for industrial speculation is not far remote. Even now, Mr. Tata is said to be drawing the attention of Mr. Pierpoint Morgan to the boundless possibilities of India as an iron producing country. Were he to succeed, there is no reason why the influence thus exerted upon the country need be disastrous; but there is a further chance that American dollars may also be expended on the cotton industry, and if such a contingency arose, the result would be no means gratifying or beneficial. The commercial status of Bombay as regards the China market would then be even less secure than it has been during the bad times through which Bombay has just passed. But whatever else may be said of American competition, it is always fair and always legitimate. It does not result in a market flooded with goods of the cheap and nasty order; it does not drive out of methods risky and speculative so far as manufacturers themselves are concerned. American success is due to pluck, enterprise, and inventiveness, helped by skill in manufacture and worth in her productions. There was a time when the native dealer strayed to take advantage of American prices simply because he preferred to stand by the merits of the British-made article, quite apart from the question of cost. That day has gone by. The American has within a few years secured five per cent. of Indian trade and the Indian bazaar, so far as the steel industry is concerned. Were it not for the fact that the British manufacturer is so helped by official influence, the slump in the direction of America would be rapid. It is not to be expected that when the articles are placed side by side, both equally good but one cheaper than the other, that the purchaser will not choose that which costs him less money. In South Africa, America is carrying all before her. The agriculturists of that country, faced with a situation similar to that in India as regards the steel trade, cannot afford to waste money, and the consequence is that America eats the orders. Improvement in system at home will simply mean Americanising. Surely, as the *Textile Journal* hints, British manufacturers are too sanguine to lose trade and lose money merely for the sake of tradition and prejudice.

There were no questions, and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

In seconding, Mr. E. C. WILCOX said:—Mr. Chairman, I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts. I am pleased to hear of the establishment of a re-insurance fund, which I regard as a step in the right direction, calculated to strengthen the company. I only hope that we shall also soon be in a position to again make additions to the reserve fund. We have been pursued by bad luck pretty consistently for several years, and it is time that we entered upon a spell of

good fortune. I hope we shall have good luck during the present year and be able at our next meeting to make an addition to the reserve fund, and gradually build it up to its former level of one million dollars. It is most necessary, I consider, that all insurance companies should go on steadily building up their reserves. It is true that the dollar is not worth much at the moment, less than £1.7d. (near, ha'p'p); but nevertheless we must go on piling it up though it is dissipated—I should say perhaps melted in the process. With these few remarks, I beg to second the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. STANIS seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The officers and Committee were re-elected, with the exception of Mrs. Harling, who retired, her place on the Committee being taken by Mrs. Grist.

The meeting then separated.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The second annual meeting of the Hongkong Nursing Association was held yesterday in the City Hall, Dr. F. O. Stedman, president, presided and there were also present:—Lady Blake, Sir William Meigh Goodman, Lady Goodman (hon. secretary), Dr. R. M. Gibson, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Tomes, Mrs. Harling, Mrs. May, Mrs. Siebe, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stedman, Mrs. Grist, Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Gompertz, Mrs. Danby, and Mrs. Whitlow.

The PRESIDENT said—Ladies and gentlemen, the report of the Committee and the statement of accounts from the treasurer are before you, and as I have very little to add to what is stated in the report, I do not propose to detain you with a long speech. I may say that the Institution is filling a great want in the Colony and from a doctor's point of view at least I do not know how we should be able to get on without it, and I think that the same may be said from the patients' point of view also. At present, the fees that are being charged for the services of the nurses are comparatively low—much lower, I believe, than those which are charged in Shanghai; but the Committee have thought it wise to keep the fees as low as is consistent with making the Institution pay its way, so as to bring the services of the nurses within the means of as many persons as possible. Besides performing the duties of a clerk the man was also charged with the collection of bills; not being a shrewd man, he was liable to make mistakes, and I think that the Committee have been deeply regretful over the occurrence, cut under the circumstances it was unavoidable. For the future we have fully provided against a similar occurrence by having the present collector secured, so you need feel no anxiety on that score. Coming to the report before us it is highly gratifying to the Committee that although we have had a change of management, the results for the past year are as excellent. Against the earnings of \$8,864.39 which we put before you 12 months ago, the earnings for the past year are not yet \$7,484.39. You will be pleased to hear, gentlemen, that this splendid result is not to be looked upon as merely temporary owing to the scarcity of water a few months ago, but is a substantial and permanent increase of the business of the Company. I need hardly say that we owe this improved position of our Company to the excellent management and the energy of our manager. (Hear, hear.) There is one other matter mentioned in the report, and that is that we intend to call up the remaining \$3 per share still unpaid. This is rendered imperative by the increasing volume of our business, necessitating a further addition to our boats. The call will therefore I am sure be fully endorsed by you, as it is a proof of a flourishing position. With these few remarks, I will move the adoption of the report and accounts, but before putting it to the meeting I will be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

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THE
SORROWS OF A SULTAN'S
SUBJECTS.

BY
A. J. DAWSON
(Author of "Bismillah," &c.).

It is a wonderful city, in Tangier, the gleaming and white-walled; in one sense less wonderful than any other in mysterious Morocco, because less purely Moroccan; in another sense the most wonderful, because sufficiently Moorish, which is to say quite barbarous, whilst almost within gun-shot of Europe, and of a British fortress.

Do you remember the sort of life you read about in your childhood as being the life of the world's infancy: the period of Jacob's dream, of Joseph's coat of many colours, of Abraham and his flocks and herds? That life precisely, unchanged in any smallest particular, is being lived from day to day throughout Morocco, within sight of twentieth-century Europe. You know the Bible story of the sacrifice of Abraham's son, the narrowly escaped sacrifice of his beloved son. The day of that miracle is annually commemorated throughout Morocco, and every respectable householder sacrifices his sheep, in circumstances and surroundings which are absolutely those of the Old Testament.

In one direction it is possible that the subjects of Muhi Abd el Aziz IV. of Morocco have gone beyond any point reached by the Canaries; they know more of tyranny, corruption and oppression in the administration of their beautiful land. What we Westerners call corruption is the very fibre of every root and branch of the absolute despotism which rules Morocco. From his youthful Shareefah Majesty under the Royal Parasol to the main-city-gate bazaar in all Shassi Land, every man buys place, sells honour, and (according to European notion) cleats over every bargain.

At this moment there lives a Moor named Hadi Abd el Karim, known intimately to the present writer, whose father was a bought slave, and who, himself, is now a pedlar of water in the market-place. Abd el Karim has once held one of the highest official positions in the land, and twice he has been the honoured, feared and wealthy Governor of a large province. Once he has been banished within an inch of his life (he stood eight hundred strokes), twice he has languished for a period of several years in dark and foisted country dungeons, and twice he has been submitted to torture in order that a confession might be wrung from him of the whereabouts of his secreted treasure; on the first occasion his right eye was destroyed, by the lid being pierced with a fishhook suspended from a beam at such a height that the unfortunate man had to stand upon his toes to avoid the dragging out of the eye-lid, and on the second occasion he lost his right hand by having it slit open and balled up with sand in a strip of balloon's hide.

Understand, this man has never been charged with any offence against the laws of the land; he has never been tried in any court; and even so he has been ruined by those given to over power him, so he has been ruined many over whom he was given power. And in Morocco this man's career is not considered at all remarkable.

THE WAYS OF THE ASSASSIN.
In this one nominally independent strip of the Dark Continent, all official positions of every sort and rank are obtained quite openly by purchase. To purchase the governorship of a given province, means to acquire the right of extorting from the people of that province every farthing that can be ground out of them, by fair means or force, or by such foul methods as torture, imprisonment and starvation. Out of this a certain annual tribute must be sent to his Shareefah Majesty, Lord of all the Faithful, master and breaker of all officials. In the same way, to be a guard or policeman (the word in use is assassin), from which, naturally, we derive our assassin, implies not the holding of a post bringing in a salary of so much a month, but merely that one is a licensed executioner and rogue, within the limits of petty larceny. As, for example, the basis of a town sends two of his assassins to arrest a certain citizen, who is suspected of the crime of possessing secret savings. Those assassins may not attempt to force his treasure from the citizen for themselves. That is meat for their master. But usage says they may and will extort what they can from the man—a handful of silver, say—with threats of rough treatment or promises of favour. That is their business, and its rewards are understood to be their sole source of income.

Habear Corpus is, of course, unknown in Al Moghreb. A judge's dictum usually runs in this wise:—"Take him to the prison," or "Let him be beaten." In the latter case the matter is put in hand forthwith, while the judge takes snuff, and turns upon his cushions, a slightly bored spectator, his nod sufficient to decide whether the culprit should be merely bruised, maimed, half-killed, or actually done to death. A deliberate sentence, in which a period of months or years of imprisonment is named is never pronounced. Such a method would never answer, for the duration of any prisoner's confinement depends entirely upon the length of time taken by his friends in scraping together a bribe which shall satisfy the responsible official. And this, whether the crime be the most dastardly kind of murder, or the merest beggarly, or nothing at all beyond the misfortune of being a prospering man with a nest-egg worth plundering.

While in prison—ad you will be in mind that the best and the worst of men are equally unable to avoid the risk of imprisonment at any time—a man is given nothing whatever by the authorities if there is a friend within reach who can be induced to supply as much as a piece of bread per day. If, on the other hand, a prisoner should prove to be absolutely free (as a state of things fortunately very rare among all primitive peoples) the authorities allow him one loaf, the shape and size of an English bath bun, each day. And that is all. For water, Moorish

prisoners depend upon the door-keeper of their prison, who usually applies two skins full per day paid for out of囊 (taken from in-coming and out-going prisoners). The door-keeper, being an official, is unpaid, and pays, in presents to the official next in rank above him, for the privilege of making just as much as he is able by extortion. He appoints one prisoner as Kaid or captain of the whole number confined. This again is a license to rob and oppress, in return for which the prisoner Kaid pays daily tribute to the door-keeper. He keeps order among his fellows, distributes water, metes out corporal punishment, and extorts tribute in money, food, tobacco, and the like, from every prisoner possessed of friends to bring them these things. The prison itself is a noise and foul dungeon of rocking stone-work, open to public inspection through a loop-hole at which the door-keeper sits at the receipt of bribes. The prisoners, sick and whole, mad and sane, misandred and sane, are herded together like swine in one dim and filth apartment—a terrible gathering.

They may smoke—when they have anything to smoke. They may talk, fight, sing, play, or sleep, when and how they choose. There are many of them philosophers and all of them fatalists, and all Moors are fatalists. Hence even friendless prisoners take a long while to die. Capital punishment is practically unknown; but a man takes his chance of death in many forms; under torture, the question, starvation and the like. In cases of rebellion the government pays as much as four pascas (say, half a crown) apiece for the heads of rebels, the which are used when pickled to adorn the gates of the capital cities; have been so used this year, and will be used next year, if the Moorish government survives so long.

**A BAD PLACE TO BE BORN IN—NOT WORSE
TO BE BORN IN.**

Taking it by and large, Moorish life is remarkably free from crime, as crime figures in the Newgate calendar. One might almost add that upon the whole the Moors are an innocent and law-abiding people. Particularly when one remembers that they have no laws—as an Irishman might put it. But the Moorish administration is one of the most corrupt on earth, and in no other country is money, or the desire of it, so emphatically the root of all evil as it is in this realm of Mohammed's scion, Abd el Aziz IV.

A pretty bad place to be poor in! you might exclaim, when you heard of a man and wife tramping twenty miles to market, very heavily laden, and devoting three days to the journey of about fifteen miles. True, but, in some, it is a wretched country to be rich in. A man who is notoriously and unmistakably poor, and without monied relatives, is tolerably secure from the risks of imprisonment or persecution, unless he commits crime or offends some powerful person. A worn man, as we say, is never safe, no man or how soothly spoken, or how generous in the matter of judiciously distributed bush money.

The Basah of a Moorish town, or the Kaid of a district are veritable autocrats. Their lieutenants (Khaleefah) are minor autocrats. Both sit in public judgment every day. All serious cases involve serious, that is large, bribes. Such cases are held by the Basah. All petty cases, domestic quarrels, brawling, and the like, involve small bribes of chickens, tea, eggs, butter, sugar, small silver, &c. Such cases come before the Khaleefah. Purely civil cases, or those involving reference to K. radio injunctions, go before the Kadi, a dignified person who can read and write his name, and must be bribed through his clerk. I have seen three loaves of sugar and a packet of candles change the whole complexion of a case involving many months of imprisonment and starvation. I have seen a seafaring plaintiff and defendant both bound and soundly bestiadized, and their case dismissed with scorn and contempt; and I wonder not at all when I learned that the foolish fellows had come to court bearing no more valuable gifts than a pound of butter and two candles.

Let me instance a case as brief as may be from recent court proceedings in Al Ksar el Kebir. Mahomet, a Tangier Moor, appeared in the Khaleefah and complained that Cassim Rifi had man-handled him in the open market. Mahomet desired that Cassim might be beaten in the Kasbah for this. At the same time he placed three packets of candles and two dollars, a very respectable gift, on a mat beside the Khaleefah. His Worship grunted affably, and sent two soldiers for Cassim. Mahomet waited to watch events. Presently Cassim appeared between the two soldiers, a splendid specimen of a mountain man, with wild eyes, which he kept downcast. And that was the loss of him, for, even in the complainant's presence, his eyes might have telegraphed the Khaleefah's promise of a bribe, this being quite a customary method. However, Cassim obstinately eyed the floor, seeing that he had a hardened rogue to do with the Khaleefah sighted (he naturally prefers a bribe from his slaves) and without a question of any sort, said to Cassim:—

"So, dog, you will fall upon good Muslims here in Al Ksar, and beat them, hah?" Then to the soldiers:—"Take him to prison and scourge him well—two hundred strokes. Leave him there." (This qualification is unadorned and as literal as I can make it.) Cassim was led away promptly to speak. I rode after him toward the prison, leaving my servant in the court. Just as we reached the prison's outer courtyard, a soldier overtook us, breathless, and followed closely by my Moor. We were ordered back to court. Cassim's uncle, my servant explained to me, was a man of substance. He had arrived at the court five minutes after Cassim's departure thence for prison. He had spoken with the Khaleefah, and counted out ten dollars into his worship's hand. On our return, I entered the Court at Cassim's heels. This is what passed.

The Khaleefah, good-humouredly:—"How is this, Rifi (Cassim)? How comes it that you did not tell me that you had not really beaten Mahomet?" Cassim, the Rifi, sulky:—"Lord, why should I talk of such cattle? The beating that I gave him—he."

The Khaleefah:—"Eh, eh! Silav, shawl!

This my court is not the market-place. I can

not have so much noise here. Go away, all of you!" Complaint. Mahomet stepped forward:—"But, Lord—" "Out-side! Away with ye, I say—or would ye be stuck, Mahomet?" I turned to the Khaleefah.

An ill-considered affair truly, though it put twelve or fourteen dollars into the Khaleefah's pocket. But this is illustrative of ordinary Moorish methods in the administration of justice, as well in great matters as in small. And withal, what is the attitude of Moors towards the sufferers in these matters? Would they willingly exchange this sort of rule for what we of the West consider a just and proper administration? It is an easy question to answer. Freedom from oppression must indeed be desirable to all men. But regard at taxation, an efficient police service, and submission to the intricate code of rules, big and little, which is at the root of our civilisation—these things form the price which has to be paid for justice of administration as we understand it, and it is greatly to be doubted whether Moors would ever willingly pay that price. Meanwhile, the feeling with which they regard a fellow-countryman, who shows himself well disposed towards Christians and Christian, or European innovations of any sort, is well exemplified by the fol-

lowing little story, a perfectly true one, of an event which marked my last year's stay in Tangier. Tangier, the infantilest, where Moors are more accustomed to the ways of Europeans, and more tolerant toward them, than is any other part of the empire.

THE STRANGE STORY OF SID TAHER'S DEATH.

A new Basah was sent to Tangier, Sid Taher Tazzi, an enlightened man as modern Moors go, and one related to a Moorish chief living in Liverpool. He had the enviable reputation among Moors of being well-disposed toward Christians. A fortnight after his arrival in Tangier, Sid Taher died, from causes mysterious, and was buried. Inquests are unknown, and post-mortem examinations unheard-of in Morocco, where they would be deemed abominable and sacrilegious acts. I enquired first of one and then of half a dozen other Moors, as to the real cause of the new Basah's death. This is what I was told.

The original owner of the Basah's palace in

Tangier was a Muslim of the Muslims, a Moor to the finger-ends, and one to whom intercourse of any sort with an unbeliever, a Nazarene, had seemed the basest sort of blasphemy. He was the creator of that famous phrase—*"The knife for the Nizari Christian."* The knife was just a hook-a giant fish-hook—which was kept conveniently fixed over city gateways, in order that a believer, when so minded, might take a Christian to the top of the wall, and drop him upon the hook, there to hang and squirm, impaled, till death did him release. I recently examined one of those hooks at Fez myself; though, to be sure, the good old man might say are no more.

Now this first owner of the palace carried his hatred of the infidel with him when he was wafted into paradise. Instead of lying idly feasting in his esel pavilion there, he has visited earth every night since his death, and glances round his old palace in Tangier to see how things were going.

The most of Tangier's Basahs have been men

whom even the inventor of the hook phrase could not have accused of friendliness with the unbeliever, or of any tendency to take up with Western civilization. Then came Sid Taher Tazzi, with his enlightenment, and his opening up of relations with the foreign ministers; for all the world as though he were a Turk, or even a Nizari. His deceased predecessor, in paradise, endured the thing for a few days. Then, at midnight, he descended upon sleeping Tangier, stalked gloomily past heavy-armed guards, and entered his old palace. Straight to the bedside of his unworthy successor the old Muslim strode, took him by the throat, shot the appalled wretch, and in tones of fearful significance said him his legacy from out that place.

Then the visitor from paradise disappeared, leaving poor Sid Taher Tazzi in an icy sweat of terror. This key sweat continued, and within thirty-six hours the new Basah passed away, praying despairingly. The story may be—what you choose. "He died, physically unaccounted for, as is indisputable fact. I saw the body buried."

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REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MINILA IN 48 HOURS.

THE Company's well-known Steamship.

"ROHILLA MARU"

3,869 Tons. Captain B. Shapley will be despatched for MANILA TO-DAY, the 25th inst., at Noon.

To be followed by "ROSETTA MARU," on or about the 3rd December.

Magnificent Accommodation. Comfortable Cabins. Excellent Table. Unrivalled Speed. Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MATSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Prince's Buildings, Esplanade, Hongkong, 24th November, 1902.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

RESUMPTION OF MANILA SERVICE.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Japanese Mail Steamship.

"KASUGA MARU."

14,000 Tons. Captain H. Fraser, will be despatched for the above port TOMORROW.

This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for the service in the Philippines, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

With fine weather the voyage.

The British steamer "Hailong," from Swatow 24th inst., and fine weather the night out, will leave for Canton.

The British steamer "Hailong," from Swatow-Yaozhou, Yungking, Salween, Yunnan, Tukang, Beijia Maro, Tukar, Xenshan, Hainan, Chongming, Fushau, Fuding and Wuyuan.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese steamer "Kuang Tai," from Shanghai 2nd inst., had struck N.E. monsoon with heavy following seas down to Breakwater Point; from there down to port, light easterly winds with fine weather.

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VESSELS IN DOCK.

25th November.

AEGEAN DOGS.—Victoria, Indochina.

WILSON DUCKS.—H.I.G.M.S. Tiger, Bugdo, Zaire, Tecon, Peru, Panama, Kolombia, COSMOPOLITAN DOG.—Indonesia.

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VESSEL ON THE BERTH

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

STEAM FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HOKKAIDO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship.

"BAYERN."

On the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

Captain H. Bleeker, due here with the outward German Mail about THURSDAY, the 27th inst. A.M., will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1902.

SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA,

IN CONNECTION WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer.

Captain.

Tons.

Sailing Date.

GLENNOGLE..... G. E. Warner..... 3,750..... December 6th

TAOMA..... A. Dixon..... 2,811..... December 17th

* TREMONT..... 9,406..... December 30th

OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LTD.

OUTWAARDS.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| FROM GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | STEAMERS "PELEUS" | DUE On 3rd December. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "TYDEUS" | On 15th December. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "TELEMACHUS" | On 31st December. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "PROMETHEUS" | On 8th January. |

HOMEWARDS.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FOR AMSTERDAM and LONDON | STEAMERS "TANTALUS" | TO SAIL On 9th December. |
| (Taking Cargo at London Rates) | "ALCINOS" | On 20th December. |
| LONDON | "ULYSSES" | On 23rd December. |
| LONDON | "PELEUS" | On 6th January. |
| LONDON | "ANTENOR" | On 20th January. |
| LIVERPOOL | "TYDEUS" | On 20th January. |

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong 25th November, 1902.

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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

OUTWARDS.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| FROM GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | STEAMERS "MOYUNE" | DUE On 27th November. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "OOPACK" | On 10th December. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "NINGCHOW" | On 25th December. |

HOMEWARDS.

| | | |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE, LON- DON and ANTWERP | STEAMER "TEEN KAI" | TO SAIL On 20th December. |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------------|

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, via "NINGCHOW". On 27th December.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1902.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO. STEAMERS "SUNGKANG", "SHANSI", "TIENSIN", "FOOCHOW", "CHINGTU", "TONKIN", "BEN", "CHANGSHA" ... On 5th December.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, taking cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

Taking cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

\$ See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1902.

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PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG via MOJI, KOBE PORTLAND, OREGON AND YOKOHAMA FOR CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS. CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON "INDRAPURA" 4,899 A. E. Hollingsworth December 1, 1902 "INDRASAMA" 5,197 R. P. Craven December 14, 1902 "INDRAVELI" 4,899 W. C. Craven January 14, 1903

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1902.

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HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. Surgeon carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

| STEAMSHIP | TONS. | CAPTAIN | FOR | SAILING DATE |
|-----------|-------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|
| ZAFIRO | 2540 | R. Rodger | Manila Direct. | 26th Nov. at Noon. |
| RUBI | 2540 | W. Lawson | do. | 3rd Dec. at Noon. |
| PERLA | 1880 | J. McGinty | do. | do. |
| DIVAMANTA | 1880 | A. H. Notely | do. | do. |

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1902.

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THE PENTINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS. THE Steamship

"PARRAMATTA," Captain F. J. Fox, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 6th December, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Europe by transhipment.

Packets will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shipper's are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1902.

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NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

NEITHER the Captain, the Agents, nor the Owners will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

—DAYLIGHT, British 4-m. barque, James Reed, —Standard Oil Co.

MANUEL LLAGUNO, American ship, Nichols, Standard Oil Co.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA SHIP NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailing from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"BORDER KNIGHT" About 24th Nov.

"ORONO" 10th Dec.

"CROYDON" 20th Dec.

1903.

"MOGUL" 3rd Jan.

"HINDUSTAN" 15th Jan.

"MACDUFF" To follow.

"SHIMOSA" To follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES PAQUEBOT-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 1st December, 1902, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "SYDNEY," Captain Negre, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. "Polyphemus," which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 13th December, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 30th November. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contests and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to the Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1902.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES PAQUEBOT-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "GLENNOGLE"

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-

HAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1902.

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NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship

"KENNEBEC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

Oriental Shipping Department,

By J. W. HOLLES, Agent.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1902.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BENGAL,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:

From London, &c., ex s.s. "Victoria."

From Persian Gulf, or B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Goods not cleared by the 28th inst. at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"BENMOHR."

Captain Wallace, will be despatched as above on or about the 10th December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1902.

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE."

Captain H. N. Vyvyan, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stand at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE TEEN KAI.

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or loaded at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The German Mail of the 28th inst., left Singapore on Saturday, the 22nd inst., at 7 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.
The American Mail, with the American Mail of the 30th ult., left Yokohama on Thursday, the 26th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 27th inst.
The Postkin, with the French Mail of the 28th ult., left Singapore on Monday, the 24th inst., at 5 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 1st inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 5th September.
The Korm, with the American Mail of the 8th inst., left Yokohama to-day, the 26th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 4th prox.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

| FOR | BY | DATE |
|--|----------|-----------------------------|
| Gante | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 7.30 A.M. |
| Quangchow, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Macau | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Singapore, Penang and Calcutta | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Manila | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Hongkong | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Europe, &c., India via Tientsin | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M. |
| (Lett. 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra postage 10 cents) | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Macau | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Swarak | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Singap. | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Kandah and Sanchui | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Aney, Mandu and Iloilo | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Canton | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Singapore and Colombo | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents) | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| SWITZERLAND, AMYOT and FOOCHEW | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Singapore, Penang and Colombo | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Shanghai | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Singapore, Surabaya and Samarang | Hongkong | Wednesday, 26th, 11.00 A.M. |

TO-DAY.

Sale Curios, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lammert, 2.30 p.m.
Regular Meeting of Victoria Preceptor, Freemason's Hall, 5 for 5.30 p.m.
Jant Waldorf Co., Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.
Woman's Circuit on the Reclamation, opposite the Central Market, 3 and 9 p.m.
TO-MORROW.

Extraordinary General Meeting of the Fan-jon Muing Co., Ltd., noon.
Sale Household Furniture, No. 16 Wellington Hollard, Mr. Geo. P. Lammert, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

25th November.

| U.S. LONDON | STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL |
|---|---------------------------|
| Geographic Transfer | 1.65 |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 1.67 |
| Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight | 1.71 |
| Units, at 4 months' sight | 1.74 |
| Damantury Bills, 4 months' sight | 1.74 |
| U.S. PAINTS | |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 1.28 |
| Credits, at 4 months' sight | 1.62 |
| U.S. CERAMIC | |
| Underpaid | 1.31 |
| U.S. NEW YORK | |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 1.63 |
| Credits, 60 days' sight | 1.64 |
| U.S. INDIA | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. CACUTTA | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. CHINA | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, at sight | 1.73 |
| Units, 30 days' sight | 1.73 |
| U.S. VENEZUELA | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. GERMANY | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, at sight | 1.73 |
| Units, 30 days' sight | 1.73 |
| U.S. MALA | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. SINGAPORE | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. BRASIA | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. HUNGARY | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. SINGAPORE | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. SAO | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. BANGKOK | |
| Transports Transfer | 1.73 |
| Bills, on demand | 1.73 |
| U.S. SINGAPORE, Bank's Buying Rate | \$12.62 |
| FOLD LEAF, 10% fine, per fad | \$6.50 |
| U.S. STEEL, per oz. | 23 |
| OPUM. | |
| Quotations are—Allow one to 1 cent | |
| Males a few \$1.04 to \$163 per picul | |
| Males 10d \$104 to \$163 | |
| P. F. per wrapped 10d | |
| Permeable quality 78d | |
| Permeable fine 78d | |
| Patua Nov \$8.82 to 10 per cent. | |
| Patua Old \$8.87 to 10 | |
| Borneo New \$8.80 to 10 | |
| Borneo old 10 | |

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German Mail steamer Bayern left Singapore on the 22nd inst., at 7 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, a.m.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China steamer Loisay, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 19th inst., at 5 a.m.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The S.M. steamer Tonkin left Singapore on the 23rd inst., at 5 a.m., for this port via Saigon.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The T.K.R. steamer America Maru left Yokohama for this port the 22nd inst., a.m., via Inland Sea.

The P.M. steamer Korea arrived at Yokohama on the 25th inst., and will sail to-day for Hong Kong, usual ports of call.

The P.O. steamer Gaelic left San Francisco on the 18th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The M.Y.K. steamer Kuanmu Maru (Australian Line) left Manila for this port on the 23rd inst., and is expected here to-day.

The N.Y.K. steamer Idzumi Maru (Bomby Line) left Kuba via Moji for this port on the 29th ult.

The P.O. steamer Masanen left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., at 8 a.m.

The M.Y.K. steamer Hiroshima Maru (Bomby Line) left Bombay via Colombo and Singapore for this port on the 10th inst., and is expected here on the 29th inst.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer Lyra left Vladivostok on the 10th inst.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer Tremont arrived at Yokohama on the 21st inst.

NOW READY.

BOUND VOLUMES of the HONGKONG DAILY PRESS, JANUARY TO JUNE 1902, WITH INDEX. Price \$7.50.

On sale at the Hongkong Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 23rd July, 1902.

A NEW MAGAZINE.

TO BE PUBLISHED QUARTERLY.

THE EAST OF ASIA.

CONTAINING Articles of Special Interest, Profusely Illustrated, Descriptive of the People, Customs, &c., of the Far East.

Price \$1.50.

At Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LTD., Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 26th November.

| COMPANY | PAID UP | QUOTATIONS |
|---|---------|-------------------------|
| Hongkong & Shantung | \$125 | 163, 160, 158, 156 U.S. |
| Natl. Bank of China | 2 | 127, sellers |
| A. Stans | 2 | 125, sellers |
| B. Sharpe | 2 | 111, sellers |
| Fourt, Sharpe | 2 | 111, buyers |
| Hell's Asbestos Co. Ltd. | 2 | 111, 105 |
| Campbell, Adams & Co. | 2 | 100, 95 |
| Chinnery & Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95 |
| China Light and Power Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, sellers |
| China Tropic & M. & M. | 2 | 100, 95, sellers |
| China Sugar Company | 2 | 100, 95, buyers |
| Chinatone Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Chinapac Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Cotton Mills | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Two | 100 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Intertelco | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Java King Co. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Soyons | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Hongkong | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Dairy Farms | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Swire & Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Great Island Coal Co. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| H. & C. Sleath | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Hongkong & C. Gas | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Hongkong Electric | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| H. H. L. Frampton's | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Imperial Soda Water | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Int. Trade Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Hongkong Land | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| H. & J. Grant & Co. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Hongkong Land Inv. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Humphreys Estate | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Kowloon Land & B. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| West Point Building | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Luzon Sugar | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Manila Insur. Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Mining | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Charlottenberg | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Jehon | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Punjab | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Do. Prudential | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Katib | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| New Astley Dock | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Entente Hotel, Macau | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Power, Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Hobson's Farnham & Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Robinson's Farnham & Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Charlottenberg Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| China and Manilla | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Douglas Steamship Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Indo-China S. N. & Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Charlottenberg Transport & Trading Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Forces | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Star Ferry | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Tebrau Planting Co. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| United Asbestos Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Do. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Universal Trading Co. Ltd. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Watson, E. T. & Co. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |
| Watson & Co. A. S. | 2 | 100, 95, 90 |

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